

ARE YOU A YOUNG LEADER PASSIONATE ABOUT POLITICS AND THE ENVIRONMENT?

Apply for ELC's Municipal Climate Internship

Environmental Leadership Canada (ELC) is proud to announce that applications are open for the 2nd cohort of the Municipal Climate Internship (MCI). From January - July 2025 three young environmental leaders (age 18-30) will be placed with host municipalities for a six-month internship. Intern placements will be with municipalities in Southeastern Ontario that are invested in advancing climate change solutions in their local communities: United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, Prince Edward County and City of Kawartha Lakes.

Through this full-time, six-month internship, interns are provided a unique opportunity to get a deep day-to-day understanding of how municipalities operate and contribute to their municipality's work to tackle climate change. They become well-versed in municipal government and politics through research, communications, mentorship and project work. Outside of their placements, interns have the chance to develop their leadership and professional skills, meet municipal climate experts, attend networking opportunities and share their experience with others. The knowledge, experience and professional skills gained will help prepare participants for careers as local climate leaders.

The internship will begin with an orientation in January 2025 and will end in July 2025. Interns will receive a stipend of \$2,900/month for a total of \$17,400 over the course of the internship.

Leadership comes in many forms, and ELC welcomes applications from young leaders **no matter their level or type of education**. We are eager to find youth from the region interested in building careers focused on municipal politics and/or climate leadership in their local communities.

In the interest of improving diversity among municipal leaders and decision-makers, we encourage people who self-identify as 2SLGBTQIA+, Indigenous, Black, a person of colour, a person with a disability, gender-diverse and/or a woman to apply. ELC is committed to equity and inclusion in the selection process for the MCI program.



As of January 2025, applicants must be:

- Between the ages of 18-30
- Permanent residents or citizens of Canada and legally entitled to work in Canada
- Residing within commuting distance (1hr) of the host municipality's office in Southeastern Ontario:
 - o United Counties of Leeds and Grenville: 25 Central Avenue W Suite 100, Brockville, ON
 - o Prince Edward County: 332 Main Street, Picton, ON
 - o City of Kawartha Lakes: 180 Kent St W, Lindsay, ON

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated interest in climate/environment and local government/solutions
- Community and/or political involvement
- Education, lived experience, volunteer and/or extra-curricular activities that relate to climate/environment
- Communication, research and writing skills

More details and the application form can be found on our <u>website</u>. The <u>application</u> <u>deadline is October 31st, 2024.</u>

If you have questions during the application process or require reasonable accommodations, <u>please contact mci@environmentalleadership.ca</u> PRIOR to the <u>application deadline</u>.

Become Part of a New Generation of Environmental Leaders in Politics